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SENATE BILL

No. 960

Introduced by Senator Simitian

February 22, 2005

An act to-amend repeal and add Section 25131 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to hazardous waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 960, as amended, Simitian. Hazardous waste: research database. Existing law requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control to assemble and annually update a bibliographic cross-referenced database containing certain information on known hazardous waste research programs, including the specific problems that the research is designed to address.

This bill would additionally require the database to include research on the use of substitute materials posing lesser hazards to the public health and the environment, identified as specified. This bill would repeal this requirement and instead require that the department provide a prominent link on its Internet Web site to the Toxic Use Reduction Institute of the University of Massachusetts Lowell, to provide information to small businesses and other interested persons on substitute materials posing reduced hazards to public health and the environment.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 25131 of the Health and Safety Code is 2 repealed.

- 25131. (a) The department shall assemble a bibliographic eross-referenced data base containing all of the following information on known hazardous waste research programs which are ongoing within the state:
- (1) The institution or organization sponsoring the research program.
 - (2) The principal investigators conducting the research.
- (3) A brief description of the research, including anticipated applications of the resulting information.
- (4) The specific problems facing hazardous waste generators that the research is designed to address, including, but not limited to, specific hazardous waste streams or specific production processes.
- (5) A summary of results already achieved by the research program.
- (6) The date on which the program began, and its expected completion date.
- (b) The department shall update the data base annually, and the department shall make the information in the data base available to the public at a cost not greater than the department's printing and mailing costs.
- SEC. 2. Section 25131 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
- 25131. The department shall provide a prominent link on its Internet Web site to the Toxic Use Reduction Institute of the University of Massachusetts Lowell, to provide information to small businesses and other interested persons on substitute materials posing hazards to public health and the environment.

All matter omitted in this version of the bill appears in the bill as amended in Senate, January 4, 2006 (JR11)